GEOKINETICS INC. shale oil development and production

582 north vernal avenue p.o. box 889 vernal, utah 84078 telephone (801) 789-0806

September 15, 1980

Ron Daniels
Utah Division of Oil, Gas & Mining
1588 West North Temple
Salt Lake City, Utah 84116

Dear Mr. Daniels:

Geokinetics Inc. owns the oil shale mineral rights on Section 2, Township 14S, Range 22E, SLM, Uintah County, Utah. Under permit #ACT/047/002 issued by your office, we are currently operating in the NE 1/4 of the section.

We would like to extend our operation to the NW 1/4 of our section in order to develop the in situ process for a commercial size retort in an area of deeper overburden. As per your instructions, attached hereto is a copy of MR Form 1, MR Form 2, and a map showing the extent of the activity that we have planned on the NW 1/4 of Section 2.

Please contact us if you have any questions regarding this application. Thank you for your assistance and cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Rusty Lundberg

Rusty Lundberg Environmental Engineer

RL:rl

Enclosures

cc: Concord Vernal Kamp

MINING	APPLICATION
NO.	

Date August 27, 1980

STATE OF WITAH
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING
1588 West North Temple
Salt Lake City, Utah 84116

## NOTICE OF INTENTION TO COMMENCE MINING OPERATIONS \* (See Rule M of General Rules and Regulations)

	eokinetics, Inc.
Corporation (X)	artnership ( ) Individual ( )
Address 280 Buchanan Field Road	d, Concord, California 94520
Name and title of person representing	Temporary Hilding K.L. Spradlin g company Managing Environmental Engine
Address P.O. Box 889, Vernal, Ut	cah Office Phone (801) 353-4343
Location of Operation Uintah County	84078 Sec. <u>2</u> T. <u>14S</u> R. <u>22E</u>
Name of Mine Utah Experimental	Site #1
Mineral to be mined:	Mining method:
( ) Coal ( ) Flagsto ( ) Copper ( ) Gravel ( ) Manganese ( X) Shale ( ) Iron Ore ( ) Uranium ( ) Phosphate ( ) Gilsoni ( ) Potash ( ) Bitumin ( ) Fluorspar ( ) Tungste ( ) Other (specify)	In Situ Retorting  n ite nous Sandstone
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10.	Owner/Owners of record of min	nerals to be mined:	
	State of Utah	Address	
	Geokinetics, Inc., Less		80 Buchanan Field Road oncord, California 94520
		Address	
		Address	
11.	Owner/Owners of record of all affected:	other minerals wit	thin any part of the land
	None	Address	
		Address	
		Address	
11a.	Have the above owners been no (X) Yes	otified in writing?	
12.	Source of Operator's legal rito be covered by the Notice S	ight to enter and constant of Utah Oil	onduct operations on land  1 Shale Lease #ML 24276A
13.	Approximate acreage to be dis	sturbed:	6117110
	A) Mining Operation Area (include operations, s		
	B) Access Road or Haulage	eway - Appı	rox. 1 acres SEP 18 1980
	C) Drainage System -		acres acres
	TOTAL ACRES:		13
14.	Give the names and post offic Officer, Partner, (or person	ce addresses of ever performing a simila	ry principal Executive, ar function) of Applicant:
	Name:	Title:	Address:
	a. Mitchell A. Lekas	President	280 Buchanan Field Road Concord, CA 94520
	b. John D. Downen	Vice-President	280 Buchanan Field Road Concord, CA 94520
	c. Henry H. Patton	Treasurer	Orchard Road Skillman, NJ 08568
	d. Robert D. Mackenzie	Secretary	One Maritime Plaza San Francisco, CA 94111
15.	Has Applicant, any subsidiary association, trust, or corpor with Applicant, or any person had an approval of a Notice of thereto ever been forfeited?	ration controlled by required to be ide	y or under common control entified by Item 14, ever

If yes, explain:

STATE OF Utah
COUNTY OFUintah
I, <u>Hilding K.L. Spradlin</u> , having been duly sworn
depose and attest that all of the representations contained in the foregoing
application are true to the best of my knowledge; that I am authorized to
complete and file this application on behalf of the Applicant and this
application has been executed as required by law.
Signed: Kilding Y. L. Spradlin
Taken, subscribed and sworn to before me the undersigned authority
in my said county, this 19th day of September, 1980.
in my said county, this 19th day of September, 1980.  Notary Public: Sherry Wells
My Commission Expires: 3-7-82
PLEASE NOTE:
Section 40-8-13(2) of the Mined Land Reclamation Act provides as follows:
"Information relating to the location, size, or nature of the deposit and marked confidential by the operator, shall be protected as confidential information by the Board and the Division and not be a matter of public record in the absence of a written release from the operator, or until the mining operation has been terminated as provided in subsection (2) of section 40-8-21."
Is confidential information contained herein?
YES(Initial)
NO X (Initial)
Sections desired to be maintained as confidential information -

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STATE OF UTAH
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING
1588 West North Temple
Salt Lake City, Utah 84116

#### MINING AND RECLAMATION PLAN

1.	Name of Applicant or Company	Geokinetics Inc.
2.	Proposed type of operation	In Situ Oil Shale Retorting
3.	(a) Prior Land Use(s)	Grazing
	(b) Current Land Use(s)	Grazing
	(c) Possible or Potential Fu	ture Land Use(s) Grazing
4.	What vegetation exists on the 1	and proposed to be affected Sage-
	brush, sparse range grass and s	scattered small bushes and trees.
	(a) Percent Cover 70%	
5.	What is the average pH of soil the average pH of soil of propo	before mining? 8.0 to 8.5pH, What is sed disposal area? _ pH
	Name of person or agency and me	thod of determining pH Dr. Erik R.
		nsulting Ecologists by saturated Paste
6.	Method. Site elevation above sea level	approximately 6700'
7.	In case of coal, oil shale, and	bituminous sandstone:
	Principal seam(s) and thickness	(es) Mahogany - Approximately 30'
<ul><li>8.</li><li>9.</li></ul>	gram operational until December	erations Research and development pro- 31, 1982. mined or proposed to be mined been oducing? ( ) Yes (X) No ave any characteristics affecting
10.		e encountered? ( ) Yes (X) No.
	Is there an active discharge fr posed area of operation? ()2 quality of water being discharg	om abandoned deep mines on the pro- Yes (X) No If yes, describe the ed
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11. Describe specifically a detailed procedure for: (Attachments, drawings, or supplements 8 1/2" x 11" sheets)

a. The mining sequence.

b. A procedure for constructing and maintaining access roads, to include a typical cross-section and a profile of the proposed road grades.

c. A procedure for site preparation to include removing and dis-

posing of trees and brush.

d. A method for removing and stockpiling topsoil or disturbed materials.

e. A method for the placement of containment of all disturbed materials, to include the method for handling of all acid or alkali-producing and toxic material.

f. A procedure for final stabilization of disturbed materials.

#### GRADING

#### Specifically describe:

a. Typical cross-section of regrading.

b. The method of spreading topsoil or upper horizon material on the regraded area and indicate the approximate thickness of the final surfacing material.

c. What type of soil treatment will be utilized.

d. The method of drainage control for the final regraded area.

e. Maximum grading slope.

#### TESTING

1.	Describe method for testing soil Saturated Paste - performed by	
	ERO Associates, Consulting Ecologists	
		STATE OF THE PARTY OF

2. Describe treatment to neutralize or otherwise condition soil to support a vegetative cover. Soil will remain in place and should not need conditioning.

3. Describe preparation of areas intended to support revegetation - Bench or terrace: All disturbed surfaces will be prepared for re-

vegetation in accordance with the Landscape and Erosion Control Plan.

(A copy of this plan was sent to the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining in 1979).

Outslope: An example of such site preparation was presented in the

MR Form 3 submitted by Geokinetics for 1979.

#### REVEGETATION

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L. Revegetation to be completed by:  (X) Operator  ( ) Hydroseeding	
( ) Soil Conservation District ( ) Aerial Seeding ( ) Private Contractor ( ) Conventional or Rangeland Drilling Method	
. Mulch- to be developed as part Type of experimental program Rate/Acrelbs.	
	es (Pro-
Those species suitable for use in revegetating disturbed La	rub cience abora
	ory in
herbaceous vegetation removed during the project operation will be  reclaimed. The list presented in Table 2 contains plant species that will sustain livestock or wildlife grazing. Will irrigation be used? ( ) Yes (X) No Type  Describe maintenance procedures for revegetation if needed, until security release is granted See Landscape and Erosion Control Plan	
particularly Section 4.4	
I, the undersigned operator, and mining plan for the area understand that the operation will be conducted in accordance with the Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975, and all rules and regulations currently in effect thereunder.	
Signed Hilding K. L. Sprallin Operator, Date Sept. 18, 1980	
Taken, subscribed and sworn to before me the undersigned authorition my said county, this /8th day of September, 19 80.	ty
in my said county, this 18th day of Seplember, 19 80.  Notary Public Sherry Wells  My Commission Expires: 3-7-82	

#### SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET TO MRA FORM 2

- 11. a. Presently experimental work for the research and development program is being conducted and will continue to December 1, 1982. The commercial production sequence will be determined by the results of the research and development work.
  - b. Access road to retorts from existing dirt road will be an unimproved dirt road that will not be graded.
  - c. Site preparation will consist of removing only such brush that directly interferes with the actual operation of the retorts. Woody vegetation removed from the retort sites can be temporarily used to prevent erosion if necessary.
  - d. Topsoil will remain in place.
  - e. Effluent wastewater produced by the retorting process will be contained in an evaporation pond approved by the State Board of Health, Bureau of Water Quality.
  - f. All disturbed areas will be revegetated. Basic guidelines to be implemented in creating a vegetation cover suitable to deter erosion and provide forage for wildlife and domestic livestock are presented in the Landscape and Erosion Control Plan. (A copy was sent to the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining in 1979.)



#### TABLE 1

#### PLANT SPECIES IN FOREST SERVICE STUDY

Amelanchier utahensis

Chrysothamnus nauseosus

Ephedra viridis

Purshia tridentata

Quercus gambelli

Rhus trilobata

Achillea millefolium

Atriplex bonnevillensis

A. idahoensis

A. obovata

A. obovata<sup>2</sup>

A. tridentata

Camphorosma monspeliaca

Ceratoides lanata

Ceratoides papposa

Hedysarum boreale

Kochia prostrata var. villosissima

Oryzopsis hymenoides

Penstemon palmeri

Poa compressa

Swainsonia salsula



#### TABLE 2

### SPECIES SUITABLE FOR USE IN REVEGETATING RETORTS AND OTHER DISTURBED SITES

#### COMMON NAME

Grasses
Bluebunch wheatgrass
Grama grass
Green needlegrass
Indian ricegrass
Intermediate wheatgrass
Pubescent wheatgrass
Russian wildrye
Western wheatgrass

Forbs
Arrowleaf balsamroot
Globe mallow
Utah fleabane
Utah sweetvetch

Shrubs and Half-Shrubs
Big sagebrush
Green ephedera
Little rabbitbrush
Mountain mahogany
Pasture sage
Rubber rabbitbrush
Saltbush
Winter fat

<u>Trees</u> Pinyon pine Utah juniper SCIENTIFIC NAME

Agropyron spicatum
Bouteloua gracilis
Stipa viridula
Oryzopsis hymendordes
Agropyron intermedium
A. trichophorum
Elymus junceus
Agropyron smithii

Balsamorhiza saggitata
Sphaeralcea coccinea
Erigeron utahensis
Hedysarum boreale

Artemisia tridentata
Ephedera viridis
Chrysothamnus viscidiflorus
Carcocarpus montanus
Artemisia frigida
Chrysothamnus nauseosus
Artiplex canescens
Ceratoides lanata

<u>Pinus edulis</u> <u>Juniperus osteosperma</u>



# AFFECTED LANDS IN NW 1/4 OF SECTION 2

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